

Music.

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RACHMANINOFF RECITAL, TUESDAY EVENING.

The recital of Sergei Rachmaninoff, pianist, drew a large audience to Elmwood Music hall, where the Russian has given all his local performances. Rachmaninoff's playing always is estimable and, on occasion, inspiring in its superb artistic qualities. Tuesday evening's performance was not one of numerous high lights. The pianist gave his program with facility and dispatch, doing much that was, in a way, flawless but, in many instances, scarcely rising above the perfunctory in his general style.

His Bach was vital and clean-cut, though heavily burdened with detail. He gave the Partita, No. 4 D major. One of his biggest moments came with the finale of the Chopin B minor Sonata, which he treated with great breadth and sweep, and with dazzling technical mastery.

His program included a Schubert Impromptu and his own arrangement of the composer's "The Brooklet," the latter played for the first time. He offered a Liszt group of three, play-

ing the "Dance of the Gnomes" with charming delicacy of touch.

The pianist was represented as composer by one each of his studies and preludes, and another Rachmaninoff transcription, played for the first time, was the Kreisler "Libesfreund," the final program number. The Kreisler composition in its homage Rachmaninoff disguised was almost unrecognizable.

Enthusiastic applause at the close of the program brought the pianist back for a double encore.

It was said the Russian was suffering from neuritis and had been obliged to cancel all engagements immediately following his Buffalo appearance.

NEW ORGAN AT NORTH PARK.

Completion of the installation of a new \$30,000 orchestral organ in Shea's North Park theater has been announced by John E. Carr, manager. The organ will be used for picture score interpretation and overture concert for the first time Thanksgiving day. Hereafter, the organ music will be a regular feature of each picture program.

WOULD TAX WOMEN.

VICTORIA, B. C., Nov. 25 (AP).—Taxing women to relieve farmers was proposed yesterday by the agricultural committee of the provincial legislature in a recommendation made to Dr. D. J. MacLean, minister of finance.